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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Atsunobu MURASE

Serial No.

Art Unit: not assigned

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For: An Environmental Noise  
Level Estimation Apparatus,  
A Communication Apparatus,  
A Data Terminal Apparatus,  
And A Method Of Estimating  
An Environment Noise Level

Atty Docket: 0102/0127



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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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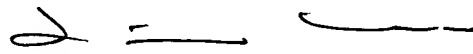
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